

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/823,963

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed 11-1-05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 4-5 and 7-15.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 20060119.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Gary Schnittgrund on 1-19-06.

In the Specification:

In the paragraphs to be replaced in the Amendments to the specification section of the Amendment filed 11-1-05, in the second paragraph after "10/714,193" insert – now US Patent No. 6,986,453--.

In the same paragraph after "10/793,457" insert --now allowed--.

In the same paragraph after "10/793,006" insert --now abandoned--.

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A brazed component assembly comprising:

a stainless steel part;

a titanium part; and

a compact filler material comprising a plurality ~~at least one set~~ of metal composite particles, each ~~said at least one set~~ of the metal composite particles is comprised of a ~~at least one~~ primary particle laminate layer comprising pure nickel or a nickel alloy and a ~~at~~

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~~least one~~ secondary particle laminate layer comprising pure titanium or a titanium alloy, for bonding said stainless steel part to said titanium part.

4. (Currently Amended) The component assembly of claim 1, wherein said ~~at least one~~ secondary particle laminate layer comprising substantially pure titanium is at least about 99.0% titanium.

5. (Currently Amended) The component assembly of claim 1, wherein said ~~at least one~~ primary particle laminate layer comprising a nickel alloy is an outer layer of said metal composite particle.

8. (Currently Amended) The component assembly of claim 1, wherein said ~~at least one~~ primary particle laminate layer comprising a nickel alloy is about 22% to 50% by weight of said compact filler material.

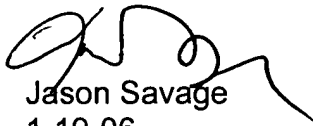
Claims 1, 4-5 and 7-15 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jason L. Savage whose telephone number is 571-272-1542. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 6:30-4:00.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Deborah Jones can be reached on 571-272-1535. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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